

## **ORDINANCE NO. 7459**

### **ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS PART OF THE FIVE-YEAR REVIEW.**

#### **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**WHEREAS**, the City's current Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the City Council on September 22, 2015, and is a guide to the City's decisions about long-term growth and physical development of the Eau Claire community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Eau Claire Comprehensive Plan 2015 encompasses geographical areas of the community as well as the major public functions and services and identifies a coherent and fiscally responsible development pattern for the Eau Claire community and is intended to encourage consistent public and private decisions about future development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comprehensive Plan is the basis for the City's subdivision regulations, official maps and amendments to the zoning ordinance and zoning map and is a guide for the Council, Plan Commission and other advisors when they review development proposals and budget for improvements and also guides public spending for roads, utilities, parks, housing and business growth; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 66 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires that all City actions that affect official mapping, subdivision regulations and zoning ordinances must be guided by a comprehensive plan adopted by the City Council but leaves decisions about the timing and location of development to local communities; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the direction provided by Objective 3 – Regular Reviews, Policy 1 – Formal Reviews as listed in the Plan Implementation Program, the Plan states that “once every five years, the City will instruct its Planning Commission and staff members to conduct a formal review of the Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of that review process, City staff designed, maintained and populated a City of Eau Claire webpage dedicated to the Comprehensive Plan and related presentations, meeting notes and amendments in order to receive public input; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission had opportunities for public input and held nine work sessions from September 2020 to August 2021 to host and guide discussion on the five-year review; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission directed City staff to gather input and recommended revisions from the Redevelopment Authority, Waterways and Parks Commission, Housing Opportunities Commission, Landmarks Commission, Transit Commission, Sustainability Advisory Committee, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission has recommended the City Council adopt the attached amendment to the Eau Claire Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the City Council's belief that this amendment to the Comprehensive Plan reflects the long-term goals for development of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

***SECTION 1.** The City Council does hereby enact this ordinance to amend the document entitled "Eau Claire Comprehensive Plan 2015," pursuant to Wis. Stats. §66.1001(4)(c). The amendment changes Chapter 15: Plan Implementation Program provisions and other narrative text within Chapters 2 through 14 in alignment with the amended provisions found in Chapter 15, and as attached in Exhibit 1.*

***SECTION 2.** The City Council adopts these amendments for the purpose of guiding future land use decisions.*

***SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority of the members-elect of the City Council and publication as required by law.*

(SEAL) President Terry L. Weld  
(SEAL) Interim City Manager David A. Solberg  
(ATTESTED) City Clerk Carrie L. Riepl

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